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AZALEAS ~ KALMIA RHODODENDRONS - HEMLOCK and OTHER HARDY PLANTS





Mountain-laurel

BIG LAUREL NURSERY CHRISTIANSBURG VIRGINIA





Mass Planting of Rhododendrons

Hardy Azaleas Ferns · Hemlock Mountain-laurel Rhododendrons

For pathways, along the house foundation, massed along driveways, these rare shrubs fill a need in almost every planting scheme. A wise selection from the following special list would make possible flowering shrubs and evergreens from early Spring until late Fall.



Azalea Planting

AZALEAS

Great Flame Azalea

(.1zalea calendulacea)

The gayest and most brilliant flowering shrub known. From early May until well into the month of June this plant is covered with orange vellow or flame red blooms. Foliage remains good until late Fall. No landscape could be more striking than a hillside of Flame Azaleas in full bloom.

Azalea canescens (Piedmont Azalea)

Rosy pink flowers of great beauty, in May, before unfolding of leaves, fill the air with sweet fragrance.

Azalea nudiflora (Pinxter Azalea)

Pink to white blooms in early May, a very free bloomer and withstands a lot of exposure. Fine for dry, open plantings.

1-2 feet, strong plants, weight about 10 lbs. each, well budded for bloom, balled and burlapped. Each 60c., 10 for \$5.00, 25 for \$10.00, 100 for \$35.00.

2-3 feet, extra heavy specimens, weight about 20 lbs. each, well budded for bloom, balled and burlapped. Each \$1.10, 10 for \$9.50, 100 for \$75.00.

Light plants, 1-2 feet high and one to three stems, some budded for bloom. Weight about 3 lbs. each. Burlapped 10 to a bundle. Assorted if desired. 10 plants for \$1.85, 25 for \$4.00, 100 for \$14.50

MOUNTAIN-LAUREL

(Kalmia latifolia)

Evergreen shrub, beautiful the year round. In June, when in bloom, this is one of the most glorious shrubs. Rosy pink or almost white flowers nearly hide the dark green foliage. Wonderful cover for birds. Same price as the above Azaleas.

RHODODENDRONS

Rhododendron carolinianum

(Carolina Rhododendron)

The most beautiful of the Rhododendrons, growing 6-8 feet high. Stands exposure unusually well. Produces a wealth of rose pink flowers in early May. Our plants are growing in open fields and are exposed to hot sun and hard winds. We recommend this plant for exposed plantings.

18-24 inches, extra bushy and budded plants, weight about 30 lbs. each. Each \$1.35, 10 for \$10.00, 100 for \$80.00.

Rhododendron catawbiense

One of the most beautiful native shrubs. Recommended for general use withstanding exposure and extreme temperatures where other Rhododendrons fail. A very free bloomer, bright red purple flowers last of Mav

18-24 inches, strong plants, weight about 20 lbs. each, well budded for bloom, balled and burlapped. Each 90c., 10 for \$7.50,

100 for \$65.00.

and early June.

24-36 inches, extra heavy specimen plants, weight about 35 lbs. each, well budded for bloom. Each \$1.35, 10 for \$12.50, 100 \$100.00.

RHODODENDRONS

Rhododendron maximum

A hardy Rhododendron, grows to a height of 15 to 25 feet, under ideal conditions, making it a wonderful plant for mass effects. The luxuriant growth of dark green, narrow leaves, 6 to 12 inches long, gives a delightful atmosphere. Light pink flowers, about 2 inches broad, are borne in large clusters and great abundance in June and early July. 18-24 inches, strong plants, weight about 20 lbs.

each, balled and burlapped. Each 75c., 10 for \$6.00, 100 for \$55.00.

24-36 inches, extra heavy specimen plants, weight about 40 lbs. each. Each \$1.00, 10 for \$8.50, 100 for \$75.00.

Rhododendron maximum

in light plants with from 1-3 stalks, weight about 4 lbs. each, burlapped, 10 in a bundle. 10 plants for \$2.50, 25 for \$4.50, 100 for \$15.50

Hardy Mixed FERNS

For moist, shady or dry locations. Tell us where you expect to plant and we will send you plants to suit location. May be used for mass or separate planting and will give especially fine effects planted with Azaleas and Rhododendrons.

Strong, heavy clumps, 10 for \$1.00, 100 for \$7.50.

CORNUS FLORIDA

(White Dogwood)

Very showy, white flowers in early May. Foliage turns to deep red in Autumn and bright red berries hang on until late Winter, furnishing excellent feed for birds.

2-3 feet plants, each 40c.; 3-4 ft. plants, each 50c.; 4-5 feet plants, each 60c.

HEMLOCK

Beautiful drooping evergreen tree, but may be used for hedges, as they will stand shearing unusually well; dark green color retained all Winter. Very desirable for massing with Azaleas, Mountainlaurel and Rhododendrons, as they add a realistic effect and give protection from wind and sun. Very bushy, compact plants.

2-3 feet plants, each \$1.25, 10 for \$10.00; 3-4 ft. plants, each \$1.50, 10 for \$12.50.

RED CEDAR

Beautiful silvery foliage of great beauty. Tall, hardy and handsome in appearance.

1-2 ft. plants, each 75c., 10 for \$6.00; 2-3 ft. plants, each 95c., 10 for \$7.50.

COLORADO BLUE SPRUCE

Beautiful silvery foliage; very hardy. 2-3 feet plants, each \$2.00.

NORWAY SPRUCE

A tall, picturesque tree, popular as wind breaks, hedges, ornamental, hardy, and a rapid grower. Foliage shiny dark green.

1-2 feet plants, 20c. each, 100 for \$15.00; 2-3 ft. plants, each 30c., 100 for \$25.00; 3-4 feet plants, each 50c., 100 for \$35.00.

Special Collection AZALEAS & RHODODENDRONS

NO. 1-\$12.50

18 strong plants, about 2 feet high, balled and burlapped. consisting of the following:

2 Flame Azaleas

2 Rhododendron catawbiense

2 Canescens Azaleas 2 Rhododendron maximum 2 Nudiflora Azalea 2 Rhododendron carolinianum

2 White Dogwood 2 Hemlock 2 Mountain-laurel

One-half Collection No. 1-\$6.75

NO. 2 The same plants in extra heavy specimens, about 3 feet high—\$17.50; one-half Collection No. 2 \$9.25

JUNEBERRY

A very attractive and free blooming shrub massed with white flowers in early May. Fruit red, ornamental and edible. Effective as a specimen or massed with Azaleas and Rhododendrons.

2-3 feet plants, each 35c., 100 for \$25.00; 3-4 feet plants, each 50c., 100 for \$40.00.

JUDAS-TREE (Redbud)

Large, rapid growing shrub, showy deep pink flowers in early Spring before the leaves appear.

2-3 feet plants, each 50c., 100 for \$35.00; 3-4 feet plants, each 65c., 100 for \$50.00.

NEW JERSEY TEA

A low spreading, free blooming shrub; fine for rockeries. Delicate foamlike flowers on slender stems. 1–2 ft. plants, each 45c., 100 for \$35.00; 2-3 ft. plants, each 65c., 100 for \$50.00.



Rhododendron maximum

Our shipping season begins about the first of March and extends to the middle of June for Spring, and from the middle of August to December 1st, for Fall

There is no charge for packing and the freight rate for the first 500 miles is about 75c. per 100 lbs. Express is about twice as high as freight. To most points we are able to get truck delivery to your door at freight rates. Please tell us how to ship if you have any preference, otherwise we will ship the quickest and best way.

All prices are f.o.b. our shipping point.

Planting and Care of Azaleas and Rhododendrons

To get satisfactory results, keep plants well mulched with leafmold, straw, sawdust, peat moss or rotted hardwood leaves; protect Rhododendrons from strong drying winds and hot sun by planting Hemlock or other hardy evergreens on the north and west exposures; give the plants plenty of water the first growing season. Treat your plants to these simple directions and they will afford you pleasure and plenty of flowers.

LEAFMOLD

A natural food for Azaleas, Rhododendrons and Ferns. Very fine for all flower beds and potted plants. Weight about 25 lbs. per bushel, packed in two bushel bags. 1 bag for \$1.00, 5 bags for \$4.00.

If interested in carlots or larger sizes, please write for prices. All prices are for cash with order, f.o.b. shipping point. Customer to pay transportation charges unless otherwise agreed. All plants selected and packed by experts.



Azalea calendulacea

Improve Your Home Grounds

You can greatly improve your home grounds by properly planting our Azaleas, Hemlock and Rhododendrons now, at perhaps the lowest price you will ever have an opportunity to buy quality plants for. Combined with Azaleas, Hemlock and Rhododendrons, Mountain-laurel (Kalmia latifolia), is unexcelled for all year round beauty; it has magnificent flowers and very handsome foliage all Winter, and, like hardy Rhododendrons, is not affected by extreme cold weather.



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